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State of Arkansas
94th General Assembly
Fiscal Session, 2024

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1015

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT OF THE LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

| Item No. | Class Code | Title | Maximum No. of Employees | Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2024-2025 |
|----------|------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| (1) | Q001U | LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR | 1 | GRADE SE05 |
| (2) | Q001N | ASSISTANT LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR | 1 | GRADE SE05 |
| (3) | Q003N | DEPUTY LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR | 6 | GRADE SE04 |
| (4) | Q002N | LA LEGAL COUNSEL | 1 | GRADE SE04 |
| (5) | Q006N | LA AUDIT MANAGER | 5 | GRADE SE02 |



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| (6) | Q010N LA FIELD AUDIT SUPERVISOR | 22 | GRADE SE01 |
| (7) | Q016N LA APPLICATION SYSTEMS ANALYST | 2 | GRADE IT10 |
| (8) | Q002C LA ASSISTANT NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR | 3 | GRADE IT10 |
| (9) | Q085C LA SENIOR NETWORK SERVICES SPECIALIST | 2 | GRADE IT06 |
| (10) | Q018N LA SENIOR AUDITOR | 53 | GRADE GS15 |
| (11) | Q001C LA STAFF AUDITOR | 187 | GRADE GS13 |
| (12) | Q275C LA EDITOR | 1 | GRADE GS13 |
| (13) | Q022C LA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER | 1 | GRADE GS11 |
| (14) | Q053C LA ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT | 4 | GRADE GS10 |
| (15) | Q096C LA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SPEC | <u>6</u> | GRADE GS08 |
| | MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 295 | |

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to Arkansas Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Legislative Audit of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

| ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>2024-2025</u> |
| (01) REGULAR SALARIES | \$33,732,732 |
| (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING | 9,983,597 |
| (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION | |
| (A) OPER. EXPENSE | 3,914,400 |
| (B) CONF. & TRAVEL | 343,000 |
| (C) PROF. FEES | 760,000 |
| (D) CAP. OUTLAY | 200,000 |
| (E) DATA PROC. | <u>0</u> |
| TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED | <u>\$48,933,729</u> |

SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal

control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.